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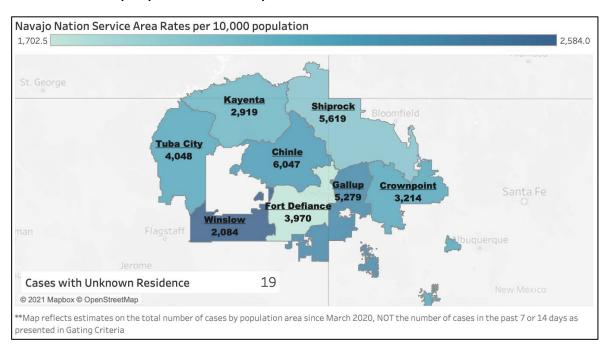
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42 new cases, 31,423 recoveries, and one recent death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Saturday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 42 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and one recent death. The total number of deaths is 1,419. The report indicates that 31,423 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 324,588 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 33,199.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

• Chinle Service Unit: 6,047

Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,214Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 3,970

• Gallup Service Unit: 5,279

Kayenta Service Unit: 2,919

Shiprock Service Unit: 5,619

- Tuba City Service Unit: 4,048
- Winslow Service Unit: 2,084
- * 19 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Saturday, the state of Arizona reported 3,355 new cases. Utah and New Mexico will report weekend case numbers on Monday. The Navajo Department of Health advises the public to report COVID-19 exposures through their website at: https://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19 to help compile information and mitigation efforts.

"The safest place to be is still at home here on the Navajo Nation. Contact tracers find that many new infections are caused by travel off the Navajo Nation and in-person gatherings where individuals let down their guard and do not wear masks. The choices we make each day impact our loved ones and others that we come in contact with, so please make every effort to be safe," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines during drive-thru events or by appointment. If you would like to receive the vaccine, don't hesitate to contact your health care provider for more information for your Service Unit.

"Personal responsibility is key to reducing the spread of COVID-19. Our health care experts have provided us with the guidance and knowledge to protect ourselves and others from the virus, so please remain diligent and think of others. Be safe and keep praying for our frontline workers and all of our people," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: https://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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